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Mr. Stephen Hoffman U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (5304P) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, D.C. 20460

RE: Final Assessment Report for Big Rivers Electric Corporation's Reid/Green/HMPL facility response.

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Final Assessment Report for Reid/Green/HMPL facility. BREC has reviewed the report and is in general agreement with the noted recommendations. In response to the specific recommendations for each of the impoundments BREC offers the following comments:

## Reid/HMPL Ash Pond:

- Crest No change to the report
- Outboard slope The repairs will be completed by October 15, 2010.
- Outboard toe The repairs will be completed by October 15, 2010.
- Additional Studies The Study and implementation of the study will be completed by December 2010 subject to review of the proposed plan by Kentucky Division of Water Dam Safety and Flood Plain Review Section. Delays in the development and or review could move the completion date into 2011.

## Green Ash Pond:

- Inboard Slopes The repairs to the inboard slopes will be completed by October 15, 2010.
- Emergency Outlet The repairs to the emergency outlet will be completed by October 15, 2010.
- Outboard Toe The repairs to the outboard toe will be completed by October 15, 2010.
- Additional Studies The Study and implementation of the study will be completed by December 2010 subject to review of the proposed plan by Kentucky Division of Water Dam Safety and Flood Plain Review Section. Delays in the development and or review could move the completion date into 2011.

Monitoring and Future Inspection

BREC will continue its current practice of monthly monitoring along with quarterly monitoring by a third party engineering firm.

If you have any additional questions concerning the responses provided please feel free to contact me at 270-844-6031 or by e-mail at tom.shaw@bigrivers.com.

Sincerely,

Thomas Shaw

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